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Barbara Ann Ferguson,
Assistant Director for Budget and Administration, Office of Science and Technology Policy.

Dated: February 13, 1997.

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FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION

Sunshine Act Meeting; Farm Credit Administration Board; Special Meeting

AGENCY: Farm Credit Administration.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Government in the Sunshine Act (5 U.S.C. 552b(e)(3)), of the forthcoming special meeting of the Farm Credit Administration Board (Board).

DATE AND TIME: The special meeting of the Board will be held at the offices of the Farm Credit Administration in McLean, Virginia, on February 20, 1997, from 10:00 a.m. until such time as the Board concludes its business.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Floyd Fithian, Secretary to the Farm Credit Administration Board, (703) 883-4025, TDD (703) 883-4444.

ADDRESSES: Farm Credit Administration, 1501 Farm Credit Drive, McLean, Virginia 22102-5090.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting of the Board will be open to the public (limited space available). In order to increase the accessibility to Board meetings, persons requiring assistance should make arrangements in advance. The matters to be considered at the meeting are:

Open Session

A. *Approval of Minutes*

B. *New Business Regulation*

—General Financing Agreement [12 CFR Parts 614 and 627] (Proposed)

Dated: February 13, 1997.

Floyd Fithian,

Secretary, Farm Credit Administration Board.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Public Information Collection Requirements Submitted to OMB for Emergency Review and Approval

SUMMARY: The Federal Communications Commission, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burden invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number. No person shall be subject to penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) that does not display a valid control number. Comments are requested concerning (a) whether the proposed collection is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimates; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated information techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Written comments should be submitted on or before February 26, 1997. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the contact listed below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Direct all comments to Dorothy Conway, Federal Communications Commission, Room 234, 1919 M St., NW, Washington, DC 20554 or via internet to dconway@fcc.gov and Timothy Fain, OMB Desk Officer, Room 10236 NEOB, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, (202) 395-3561 or via internet at fain-t@al.eop.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information or copies of the information collections contact Dorothy Conway at 202-418-0217 or via internet to dconway@fcc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Approval Number: 3060-0343.

Title: Section 25.140 - Qualifications of Satellite Space Station Licensees.

Form No.: N/A.

Type of Review: Provision to existing collection.

Respondents: Not-for-profit institutions; Business or other for-profit; Small businesses and organizations.

Number of Respondents: 25.

Estimated time per response: 100 hours.

Total Annual Burden: 2500 hours.

Estimated Cost per Respondent: Based on the assumption that applicants will hire outside counsel at an approximate cost of \$150 per hour, it is estimated that the cost per submission will be \$150,000.00.

Needs and Uses The collections of information contained in Part 25 are used by Commission staff in carrying out its duties as set forth in Section 308 and 309 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. Section 308 and 309, to determine the technical, legal and other qualifications of an applicant to operate a satellite space station. The one-step financial showings, including amendments to pending applications filed under this policy, will be used by the Commission to determine whether applicants are qualified to construct, launch and operate satellite space station facilities in order to provide timely service to the public. The information collected is used to determine whether the public interest, convenience and necessity will be served, in accordance with Section 309 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. 309.

OMB Approval Number: 3060-0108.

Title: Emergency Alert System Activation Report.

Form No.: Form 201.

Type of Review: Revision to existing collection.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit; Not-for-profit institutions.

Number of Respondents: 13,000 with an estimated 1,300 annual responses.

Estimated time per response: 2 minutes.

Total Annual Burden: 42 hours.

Estimated Cost per Respondent: 0 costs.

Needs and Uses: The information is needed to maintain accurate records and documentation of broadcast stations and cable systems in compliance with FCC rules, local Emergency Alert System (EAS) equipment failures, and to enhance and encourage participation in the national, state and local EAS.

Federal Communications Commission.
William F. Caton,
Acting Secretary.
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Sunshine Act Meeting: FCC To Hold Open Commission Meeting Thursday, February 20, 1997

The Federal Communications Commission will hold an Open Meeting on the subjects listed below on Thursday, February 20, 1997, which is scheduled to commence at 9:30 am in Room 856, at 1919 M Street, N.W., Washington, D.C.

Item No., Bureau, and Subject

- 1—Wireless Telecommunications—
Title: Amendment of Part 1 of the Commission's Rules—Competitive Bidding Proceeding. Summary: The Commission will consider clarifications and procedural changes to the general auction rules based on its experience conducting auctions. It will also propose changes to the general competitive bidding rules that are intended to simplify and eliminate unnecessary rules wherever possible.
- 2—Wireless Telecommunications—
Title: Replacement of Part 90 by Part 88 to Revise the Private Land Mobile Radio Services and Modify the Policies Governing Them and Examination of Exclusivity and Frequency Assignment Policies of the Private Land Mobile Radio Services (PR Docket No. 92-235). Summary: The Commission will consider the consolidation of the private land mobile radio services below 800 MHz.
- 3—Wireless Telecommunications—
Title: Amendment of the Commission's Rules Regarding Multiple Address Systems and Implementation of Section 309(j) of the Communications Act—Competitive Bidding (PR Docket No. 93-253). Summary: The Commission will consider proposing new service, licensing, and competitive bidding rules for spectrum allocated to Multiple Address Systems in the Fixed Microwave Services.
- 4—Wireless Telecommunications—
Title: Revision of Part 22 and Part 90 of the Commission's Rules to Facilitate Future Development of Paging Systems (WT Docket No. 96-18) and Implementation of Section 309(j) of the Communications Act—Competitive Bidding (PP Docket No. 93-253). Summary: The Commission will consider action concerning geographic area licensing of common carrier paging and 929 MHz private

carrier paging, and competitive bidding procedures for auctioning geographic area paging licenses.

- 5—Wireless Telecommunications—
Title: Amendment of Part 90 of the Commission's Rules To Provide for the Use of the 220-222 MHz Band by the Private Land Mobile Radio Service (PR Docket No. 89-552, RM-8506); Implementation of Sections 3(n) and 332 of the Communications Act—Regulatory Treatment of Mobile Services (GN Docket No. 93-252) and Implementation of Section 309(j) of the Communications Act—Competitive Bidding, 220-222 MHz (PP Docket No. 93-253). Summary: The Commission will consider action concerning the future operation and licensing of the 220-222 MHz band.

Additional information concerning this meeting may be obtained from Audrey Spivack or David Fiske, Office of Public Affairs, telephone number (202) 418-0500.

Copies of materials adopted at this meeting can be purchased from the FCC's duplicating contractor, International Transcription Services, Inc. (ITS, Inc.) at (202) 857-3800 or fax (202) 857-3805 and 857-3184. These copies are available in paper format and alternative media which includes, large print/type; digital disk; and audio tape. ITS may be reached by e-mail: its-inc@ix.netcom.com. Their Internet address is <http://www.itsi.com>.

This meeting can be viewed over George Mason University's Capitol Connection. For information on this service call (703) 993-3100. The audio portion of the meeting will be broadcast live on the Internet via the FCC's Internet audio broadcast page at <http://www.fcc.gov/realaudio/>. The meeting can also be heard via telephone, for a fee, from National Narrowcast Network, telephone (202) 966-2211 or fax (202) 966-1770; and from Conference Call USA (available only outside the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area), telephone 1-800-962-0044. Audio and video tapes of this meeting can be obtained from the Office of Public Affairs, Television Staff, telephone (202) 418-0460, or TTY (202) 418-1398; fax numbers (202) 418-2809 or (202) 418-7286.

Federal Communications Commission.
Shirley S. Suggs,
Chief, Publications Branch.
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FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

Ocean Freight Forwarder License; Applicants

Notice is hereby given that the following applicants have filed with the Federal Maritime Commission applications for licenses as ocean freight forwarders pursuant to section 19 of the Shipping Act of 1984 (46 U.S.C. app. 1718 and 46 CFR 510).

Persons knowing of any reason why any of the following applicants should not receive a license are requested to contact the Office of Freight Forwarders, Federal Maritime Commission, Washington, D.C. 20573.

East West North South Forwarding, Inc.,
2315 N.W. 107 Avenue, 1M57, Box
25, Miami, FL 33172. Officer: Ashok
Kitchloo, President

Central Export Services, 1020 15th
Street, #24, Modesto, CA 95354,
Michael W. Birch, Sole Proprietor

Dated: February 13, 1997.

Joseph C. Polking,
Secretary.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

TIME AND DATE: 11:00 a.m., Monday, February 24, 1997.

PLACE: Marriner S. Eccles Federal Reserve Board Building, C Street entrance between 20th and 21st Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20551.

STATUS: Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Personnel actions (appointments, promotions, assignments, reassignments, and salary actions) involving individual Federal Reserve System employees.

2. Any items carried forward from a previously announced meeting.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Mr. Joseph R. Coyne, Assistant to the Board; (202) 452-3204. You may call (202) 452-3207, beginning at approximately 5 p.m. two business days before this meeting, for a recorded announcement of bank and bank holding company applications scheduled for the meeting.